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### WILL IT CURE?

The report that a cure for consumption has been discovered in one of the principal hospitals of New York will command attention, if for no other reason than that a great many people in this country are suffering from the disease. But it must not be understood that because the doctors, in the most favorable circumstances, have stopped the progress of the disease in a limited number of patients the same result may be expected in every case.

The details of the cure are so simple that if it happens to be true, as the enthusiasts believe, that consumption can be cured in this way, it will indeed prove of inestimable value and take rank among the greatest achievements of medical science. But we have heard of the consumption cure before. It has been heralded on other occasions with the same positiveness of statement and the same show of proofs that accompany this latest announcement. That all of them have failed is proved by the statement that another cure has been discovered.

The white plague is the curse of the world. Its victims number thousands each year, and every effort to stay its progress has defeated the brightest minds of the medical profession.

If the cure announced recently will cure, a wonderful step has been made toward the preservation of humanity.

### DEVOTION OR DESERTION.

The other day, in New York, a man was arrested for grand larceny two weeks after his marriage. The bride immediately applied for a divorce. And thus the question has presented itself: Ought a wife to desert her husband if he commits a crime?

Answering this question, the judge of the court refused to grant the divorce, holding decided opinions concerning the woman who deserts the man she has sworn to love and cherish. The judge said: "Many a man charged with crime has been found to be innocent. The duty of a wife at such a time is to be at her husband's side and by her presence soothe him in this hour of trial."

Old fashioned but good. That sort of affection that flies on the first sight of danger is a poor sort. This is, indeed, a hard world if at the first serious loss those who love us would go against us. Many a woman has stood bravely by her husband's side when the world turned its back upon him, to find in after years the reward of faith and devotion. Many a man has clung all the closer to the wife whom the world has called guilty and has won out in the end, saving both himself and her.

True love is no deserter. It stands by.

### TROUBLE EVERYWHERE.

"Never trouble trouble until troubles troubles you" is a very good rule to practice. Trouble comes unsolicited to everybody, and who is there who is sane that has not his share of trouble. The simple-minded person for whom so many have so much pity seems as free from trouble as it is possible for a human being to be, and yet we would not care to exchange places with such a one. There is no occupation or business that can be engaged in that is free from trouble. The farmer has his trouble and disappointments. His best horse or cow dies, his field of grain is leveled in the storm that comes without a moment's warning, drouths or floods come and blast his hopes for an abundant crop. Trouble is not by any means confined alone to the farmer, for the merchant

has his trials. The grocery bears heavy loss on account of perishable fruits and vegetables. Moths infest the stock of the dry goods merchant, and ere he is aware he sustains a great loss from the ravages of these little insects. The hardware dealer invests large sums of money in stoves and other expensive goods that he cannot sell readily. The money-lender fears the reliability of the security offered by the borrower and the miser is in constant fear that he may be visited by burglars. Trouble is on every hand in all lines of business.

To a large extent the papers of a town are responsible for the good name of the town. Nearly every city contains objectionable features, at least in the estimation of some of its citizens, but the wisdom of condemning ourselves in the eyes of the world every time something or some condition arises to our individual displeasure is very questionable. To run down our own city is poor policy, rather had we better stand up for our town, even though conditions, socially and not otherwise be not to our liking. It is not necessary that we close our eyes to these conditions, rather that we work quietly to their betterment.

Governor Herriek of Ohio, a few days ago received from "Miss L. Neal" of Bedford a request for a permit to don men's wearing apparel. The woman says she works on a farm and that skirts interfere with her usefulness. She wants to know if the governor cannot give her permission to get into trousers. At present, such a request cannot be granted, but the letter was referred to the attorney-general, with the suggestion that perhaps he would recommend an amendment to the law to suit such a case.

The largest sawdust pile in the world is to be found at Cheboygan, Mich. It is a veritable hill 1,080 feet long, 875 feet wide, 3,025 feet in circumference, ranges from 20 to 50 feet in height and covers 12 acres of ground. It is the accumulation of one lumber company since 1877.

Masonry regards no man because of his wealth or honors, but that eminent men regard it an honor to be named among its members is evidenced by the fact that 80 per cent of the United States senators and 87 per cent of the lower house of congress are Masons.

For the five years ending with the new year, desertions from the United States army footed up 27,365, according to the forthcoming annual report of the judge advocate-general.

### NOTES OF NOTABLES.

Miss Honoria Acosta of the Philippines was graduated from the Drexel institute this summer. She was one of the first group of Philippine girls brought to this country for education. She will enter the Women's Medical college of Philadelphia next fall.

The richest baby in the world is said to be the little son of the late Harold Brown, of Providence, R. I. The death within a few days of each other of his father and his uncle left this youngster possessor of a fortune which is estimated between \$40,000,000 and \$50,000,000.

Sir John Madden, the new chief justice of Victoria, has hit upon a new way of making things interesting for "old offenders." He adds up all their previous terms in jail and gives them the total as their sentence. The other day he sentenced a criminal to serve nine years and one month, his aggregate record.

John Farson, the Chicago banker, is to build a garden adjoining his beautiful Oak park residence that will rival even the famous grove of Daphne of the days of the Caesars. There will be a hanging garden, a sunken garden, a Roman outdoor bath and a rivulet that will wind in and out among the flowers and the statues of the garden.

### WITH THE JESTERS.

"Yaas," said Cholly, "I only associate with my equals."

"Indeed!" returned Miss Pert. "You should aim higher than that."—Philadelphia Press.

"Many a man," said Uncle Eben, thinks other folks is ongrateful when he's merely holdin' a 'zaggered idea of de importance of his services."—Washington Star.

Man—Going in swimming, my boy?  
Boy—Nope; I'm taking off me clothes to do a skirt dance.—Houston Post.

Auntie—How smart you look this afternoon, dearie!

Dolly (who had been forbidden to ask if she may stay to tea)—Well, you see, I put on this costume so that if any-

body did ask me to tea I could stop. (Conscience stricken)—I—I haven't asked, have I?—Punch.

Mrs. Backmadders—What's them numbers on the automobile fer, Hiram?  
Mr. Backmadders—Why, that's the feller's score. It shows how many folks he's run over.—Chicago News.

"What do you think of this army divorce scandal?"

"It proves the bravery of the American soldiers, living in such a state of domestic strife."—Indianapolis Star.

### JAPANESE MERCHANTS TO EXPLOIT MANCHURIA.

#### Possession of Manchuria Railway Gives Japanese Right to Settle.

Pekin, Sept. 4.—Commercial men of North China hope and believe that a complete opening of Southern Manchuria to foreign trade will be incident to the new status of the territory now occupied by the Japanese troops. Japanese colonization in Korea has been repeated in Manchuria on a large scale. Japanese civilians have been permitted to enter the country freely and Antung, Feng Wang Cheng, Mukden, Dalny and New Chwang have become populous Japanese cities.

Newchwang, where before the war there were about 100 Japanese, and a year ago 1,000, now has 6,000, and the number is continually increasing by the arrival daily of from 50 to 100 immigrants.

The Japanese army department is operating a light railway between Antung and Fengwangcheng, and those places in the early summer had a population of more than 5,000 Japanese each and they are still growing.

Representatives of many large Japanese firms engaged in various sorts of enterprises, have been investigating the possibilities of the country and are impressed by its wealth. It remains, however, to be seen how large a proportion of the Japanese population will take up a permanent residence there. A great many of those there now were, of course, engaged in supplying the army, but some large and many small traders propose to remain and exploit the country if it proves profitable.

The Seoul and Wiju railway will be extended via Fengwangcheng to form a junction with the Manchurian railway at Liao Yang in the near future.

The possession of the Manchurian railway gives the Japanese the right to settle all the towns along the line with their own people and other nationalities will likely desire the same privilege of the open door.

### HE WAS IDENTIFIED.

#### But It Took a Deal of Time to Convince the Dubious Bank Clerk.

A well-dressed man went into a Buffalo bank and walked up to the window presided over by the paying teller. He handed a check to that individual and said: "I have here a check for \$50 which I wish you would cash."

The paying teller looked at the check and then at the man. "You will have to be identified," he said.

The well-dressed man was prepared for this. "I don't know a soul in Buffalo," he said, "but I have a lot of letters addressed to myself." He pulled out a package of letters and shoved them through the window.

The paying teller examined the addresses, looked at the check again, and said: "That is not sufficient. You will have to be personally identified."

"But there isn't a man, woman or child in Buffalo who knows me from

a trolley car," persisted the well-dressed man. "Here here is my key-ring. Look at the name on that tag."

The paying teller saw that the name on the check and the name on the tag were the same. "I am sorry," he said, "but our rules are very strict. I can't pay this check on such an identification. Excuse me, but you may have stolen both letters and key and ring and check."

The well-dressed man was worried.

"I've got to have that money," he said, "to get out of town with, and I have to get out of town this afternoon." Then he desperately tore open his vest and showed his initials on his shirt. "There," he said, "do you think I stole the shirt, too?"

"May have," answered the paying teller, laconically.

The well-dressed man was very angry. He walked around the bank for awhile and then was struck by a sudden thought. He took off his coat and vest and rolled up his left shirt sleeve and the sleeve of his undershirt. Then he stuck his bared arm through the window and shouted: "There, you dog-gasted chump! Do you see those initials tattooed there in blue ink? Do you think I stole them, too?"

The paying teller paid the money without another word.

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